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SUBJECT: TRADE TALKS WITH COLOMBIA; TENTATIVE AGENDA

REFERENCE: BOGOTA 7808, STATE 198878

1. TENTATIVE AGENDA PROPOSED BY DEVELOPMENT MINISTER RAMIREZ APPEARS APPROPRIATE FOR BILATERAL TECHNICAL LEVEL DISCUSSIONS. CONCERNING AGENDA ITEM 2(B), WE WOULD APPRECIATE CLARIFICATION BUT ASSUME THAT "SPECIAL SITUATION" REFERS TO PREVAILING CONDITIONS IN U.S. MARKET FOR THE SPECIFIC PRODUCT WITH RELEVANCE TO U.S. TRADE LEGISLATION. IT WOULD NOT MEAN, FOR EXAMPLE, A REVIEW OF EXISTING BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT WITH COLOMBIA.

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2. WE WILL BE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN DISCUSSION OF

AGENDA ITEM 3(B); IN PARTICULAR, THE ADJUSTMENTS IN TRADE
POLICY THAT GOC HAS UNDERTAKEN OR IS UNDERTAKING TO INSURE
CONSISTENCY WITH GATT OBLIGATIONS.

3. FOR SCHEDULING PURPOSES, DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE
WHEN AVAILABLE THE NAMES AND POSITIONS OF COLOMBIAN
PARTICIPANTS. INGERSOLL

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